Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

ROCK COUNTY (Luverne FO) District FY08 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Soil Erosion, Water Quality, Pasture Condition and Grazing Systems

If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

TMDL listed Rock River Reaches and Mound Creek Watershed

 From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Soil Erosion and Water Quality Concerns in the TMDL listed Rock River Reaches and Mound Creek Watershed.

Soil Erosion on HEL fields.

Applications for Prescribed Grazing

- Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.
- Is the application located in the TMDL listed reaches of the Rock River and Mound Creek Watersheds? 15 pts.
- 2.) Will the practices reduce soil erosion to T? 10 pts
- 3.) Will the practices address Animal Waste Treatment? 15 pts
- 4.) Is the application on an HEL field? 10 pts
- 5.) Is the application for Prescribed Grazing? 5 pts
- 6.) Is the application in the Drinking Water Supply Management Area? 5 pts
- Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.
- Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state
 office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking
 tool.
- List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 08 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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